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FOLLOWING STORY APPEARED IN STAR-NEWS OCT 17 UNDER HEAD-
LINE "INDIA MAY MISUSE AID, PARRIS SAYS"

"REP. STANFORD E. PARRIS, R-VA. AUTHOR OF A BILL TO CUT
OFF U.S. AID TO INDIA, SAYS THAT SATELLITE LAUNCHING
VEHICLES AND OTHER "SPACE HARDWARE" INDIA IS DEVELOPING
COULD BE DIVERTED TO "MILITARY PURPOSES."

"NOTING THAT INDIA LAST MAY BECAME THE SIXTH NATION TO
EXPLODE ITS OWN NUCLEAR DEVICE, PARRIS SAID A DOCUMENT
COMPLIED BY THE INDIAN ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION IN 1970
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"SUCH THINGS AS DEVELOPMENT OF A LAUNCH VEHICLE, THE

DEVELOPMENT OF SOLID ROCKET PROPELLANTS AND HIGH PERFORMANCE MISSILE TRACKING SYSTEMS."

"IN AN INTERVIEW, PARRIS ADDED, "THAT'S THE QUESTION -- WHAT IS A SPACE RESEARCH PROGRAM? IS IT OR IS IT NOT A DELIVERY SYSTEM."

"A HOUSE FRESHMAN EMBROILED IN AN UNCERTAIN RACE FOR RE-ELECTION THIS YEAR, PARRIS JOINED SEN. MARLOWE COOK, R-KY., LAST JUNE IN PROPOSING LEGISLATION THAT WOULD CUT OFF U.S. AID TO INDIAN UNTIL IT JOINS THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS."

"PARRIS SAID AT THE TIME HE DISCUSSED THE INDIAN SPACE AND NUCLEAR PROGRAMS WITH U.S. AMBASSADOR PATRICK MOYNIHAN. "THE AMBASSADOR VERIFIED TO ME THAT THE INDIAN MISSILE PROGRAM IS UNDER DEVELOPMENT," HE SAID, "AND HE EXPRESSED STRONG CONCERN OVER INDIA'S INCREASING NUCLEAR CAPABILITY."

"HOWEVER, THE STATE DEPARTMENT, IN A TAUT COMMENT, PROVIDED A DIFFERENT SLANT ON MOYNIHAN'S MEETING WITH BOTH PARRIS AND COOK LAST SUMMER."

"IT IS COMMON KNOWLEDGE, OF COURSE, THAT THE CAPABILITY TO LAUNCH A SATELLITE IS THE SAME CAPABILITY NEEDED TO LAUNCH A MISSILE," SAID A DEPARTMENT SPOKEMAN. "THAT IS WHAT AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN WAS REFERRING TO...THE AMBASSADOR AT NO TIME STATED THAT INDIA WAS DEVELOPING NUCLEAR MISSILES." END QUOTE. KISSINGER

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